

Regular Meeting of the Town Council
August 16, 2011
7:00 pm
Council Chambers
Minutes & General Account

Regular meeting of the Town Council, August 16, 2011, Council Chambers, Town Hall.

Council members Present: Mayor Volz, Council Members Nixon-Roney, Thomas, Gray & Ragsdale.

Staff Present: Chuck Smith, Judy Gallman, Paul Blanchard, Matthew Johnson, Martha Wolfe and Beth Koonce, Town Attorney

Visitors Present: Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Jones, Jr. , Gene Bridgers, Beth Seagraves & Tiffany Jones of the News & Record, Buddy Mann, Charles Dye, Tom Tervo, Lynn Montgomery, Carol Brooks of the Jamestown News, Robert Wenzel, Cheryl Harvey and Keith Lackey.

1. Call to Order – Mayor Volz called the meeting to order.
2. Community Reflections – Mayor Volz reminded everyone that school starts next week. Please be mindful of school buses, students and pedestrians.

Mayor Volz also informed the public that tonight is the last meeting for Beth Seagraves. She is the Jamestown Reporter for the News & Record. Beth is going back to school. The Mayor introduced and welcomed the new Jamestown Reporter for the News & Record, Tiffany Jones.

Mayor Volz reminded everyone that the Jamestown Swing event is scheduled for October 15, 2011.

Mayor Volz called for a silent moment.

3. Approval of minutes from the July 19, 2011 Regular Council meeting and the July 25th Special Council meeting.

Council Member Nixon-Roney made a motion to approve the July 19, 2011 Regular Council meeting minutes as presented. Council Member Gray made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Nixon-Roney made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2011 Special Council meeting minutes as presented. Council Member Ragsdale made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. Public Comment Period – Mayor Volz stated to the public that now is the time for the Public Comment Period. This is a Public Comment Period and not a Dialogue Period. Please respect the 3 minute time limit.

Gene Bridgers, 4 Havershire Ct., presented hand outs to the Council. The first document was a final citizen's report to the Jamestown Town Council on Water Meter Replacements. The second document was a citizen petition to the Town of Jamestown insisting that the water meter process stop until justification presented. Mr. Bridgers stated he is in the process of collecting names on the petition.

5. Set Public Hearing Date to consider rezoning request from SFR to C/MST property located at 107 Ragsdale Rd. case #2011-01. Matthew Johnson stated the Town has received a request for rezoning of the property located at 107 Ragsdale Rd. from SFR to C/MST. He requested a Public Hearing date set for the September Council meeting. Council Member Nixon-Roney made a motion to set a Public Hearing date for September 20, 2011 at the Regular Council meeting to consider the rezoning request from SFR to C/MST the property located at 107 Ragsdale Rd. Council Member Ragsdale made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
6. Set Public Hearing date to consider amendment to Land Development Ordinance, Article 17 Signs Section 17.12 "Nonconforming Signs" – The Planning Director requested a Public Hearing set for the September Council meeting to consider an amendment to the Sign Ordinance. Council Member Thomas made a motion to set a Public Hearing date for September 20, 2011 at the Regular Council meeting to consider an amendment to the sign ordinance. Council Member Ragsdale made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
7. Set Public Hearing date to consider amendment to Land Development Ordinance, Article 12, Off-Street Parking, Section 12.12-6 "No Parking in Right-of-Way"- Matthew Johnson requested a Public Hearing date for the September Council meeting to consider a minor revision to Article 12, Section 12.12-6 "No Parking in Right-of-Way". Council Member Nixon-Roney made a motion to set a Public Hearing date for the September 20, 2011 Council meeting to consider a minor revision to Article 12, Section 12.12-6 "No Parking in Right-of-Way. Council Member Gray made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
8. Consider approval of the Special Use Permit for Jamestown Swing Event – Chuck Smith requested the Council pass conditional approval of the Swing III special event permit and allow him to work with Swing III event organizers until all conditions are met. The Swing event is scheduled for October 15, 2011. Smith stated that all of the information required is not in yet, but he had been assured all the necessary items will be provided. Smith said event organizers need a letter of support from the Town of Jamestown before they can obtain an ABC permit. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to conditional approval as requested for the Swing III Special Event Permit. Council Member Gray made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
9. Proclamation Constitution Week – Mayor Volz presented a Proclamation proclaiming September 17th – September 23rd as Constitution Week in the Town of Jamestown.

Gene Jones, Co-Chair of Constitution Week, Rachel Caldwell Chapter of the DAR, accepted the Proclamation.

(Proclamation)

10. Approval of lease agreement for mowing equipment – Judy Gallman presented the Master Lease Agreement for equipment for use at the Jamestown Park. The equipment consisted of two (2) Greens mowers and two (2) Fairway mowers. This is a 48 month lease with a monthly payment of \$2600.00. Per the Finance Director, the old equipment will be sold.

The Town Attorney did recommend to the Council to strike sentences #2 & # 3 from item #7 **Indemnity** – from the Master Lease Agreements.

Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to strike sentences #2 & #3 from item #7 **Indemnity** –on page 1 of 2 of the Master Lease Agreement and approve said Master Lease Agreement as amended. Council Member Gray made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

11. Financial statement – Gallman presented the financial statement for the month ending July 31, 2011. Per the 3 page summary report, she highlighted the following:

- Total cash balances for the Town are approximately 6.2 million
- Of this amount, funds are reserved for Randleman Reservoir, Powell Bill and General Capital Reserve.
- Debt balance for the Town as of July 31, 2011 is approximately \$120,000.00 in the General Fund.
- Total Revenues & Expenditures by fund as of July 31, 2011 is as follows:
 - General Fund Revenue 3% and Expenditure 12%
 - General Capital Reserve fund transferred \$36,000.00 from General Fund for Wrenn Miller Park
 - Water/Sewer Fund revenues 5% Expenditures at 3%
 - Randleman Reservoir 0% and Water/Sewer Capital Reserve Fund 0%

Gallman presented the detailed financial statement for month ending July 31, 2011. She reported that the Town has made a payment on the annual audit. The auditors were in last week and completed a good bit of the audit. This statement reflects the first repayment to the water/sewer fund for advances for the irrigation system. The rest is normal reoccurring expenditures. There were no questions.

The Finance Director presented budget amendment #9 to reflect actual budget for fiscal year ending July 30, 2011. The Local Government Commission recommends this amendment to reflect advance from the Water/Sewer Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$750,000.00. The second part of the Budget Amendment is to correct budget amendment entry made to General Fund but not General Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$3,500.00.

Council Member Gray made a motion to approve budget amendment #9 as presented. Council Member Ragsdale made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

(Budget Amendment)

12. Public comment Period – No one registered to speak.

13. Other business – Council Member Ragsdale stated he would like for Roger Watson, Carolina Golf, be listed on the September Council Agenda.

Council Member Thomas asked for a status update on 103 Pearce Drive. The Town Attorney stated the sale date is still scheduled for August 24, 2011. Council Member Nixon-Roney stated if the sale date is extended again, we need to move forward and serve condemnation papers on the property.

Koonce shared with the Council that she spoke with an individual that said he was interested in purchasing the property and restoring it. She gave him all the contact information for the substitute trustee. Council Member Nixon-Roney stated please have the paperwork ready to start the condemnation proceedings. The Town Clerk clarified that the Council had approved condemnation proceedings at an earlier meeting. The proceedings were put on hold pending the foreclosure sale date.

Council directed the Town Clerk to put this item on the September agenda and they directed the Town Attorney to have the necessary paperwork prepared to serve for condemnation of the property.

Council Member Gray made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Thomas made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting ended at 7:28 pm.